

CLASSIFICATION SECRET/CONTROL - U.S. OFFICIALS ONLYCOUNTRY East Germany REPORTTOPIC Bautzen-Litten Airfield

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EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED]DATE PREPARED 8 November 1954

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REFERENCES [REDACTED]PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]

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REMARKS [REDACTED]This is UNEVALUATED Information

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a concrete runway was to be constructed at Bautzen-Litten airfield. It was learned on 6 October that the contract for this work was cancelled. It could not be determined whether the construction project was suspended or given up completely.

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2. During an official conference on 10 October it was learned that the planned construction of a concrete runway at Bautzen-Litten airfield could not be carried out for financial reasons. It was unknown whether the scheduled project was abandoned or suspended.

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Comment. In early September 1954, the Soviets ordered that all auxiliary runways of mats be replaced by concrete runways. This order also includes Bautzen-Litten airfield which has an auxiliary runway about 2,200 meters long and is covered with mats. It appears possible that the reported cancellation of the construction order is only temporary.

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